

BROOKLYN NEWS.

LOOKING FOR SHEPARD'S BODY

It Is Thought He Was One of the Victims of Last Night's Fire.

Mr. Woodruff To-Day Estimates the Loss at \$1,000,000.

Firemen were busy this morning digging in the ruins of the Franklin Woodruff & Sons' stores, at the foot of State street, Brooklyn, searching for the body of Robert Shepard, sixty-two years old, of 54 Sixth avenue, who is believed to have been buried by a falling wall, which killed two men, and injured and burned two others last night. The firemen were also searching for a leg which was severed from the body of S. Solan, one of the injured.

He is not expected to live through the day. He sustained internal injuries and a fractured skull. Solan lives at 28 Cheever place. He has a wife and six children.

The bodies of John C. Barrow, thirty-five years old, of 46 Jerusalem street, and James Prentiss, twenty-six years old, of Gifford's Station, Staten Island, were lying at Farrell's undertaking establishment, at Avenue and Bergen street, this morning.

Farrow will be buried in the Holy Cross Cemetery, in Flatbush, to-morrow. Prentiss' body had not been claimed as yet.

The only other person injured was Andrew Miller, who sustained a slight scalp wound.

Solan, and those who lost their lives were all employed by the Tinsan Ferry Company in the repair yards which adjoined the burning building. The damage was estimated by Mr. Woodruff this morning at \$1,000,000.

Three of the killed were playing on the smouldering heap and fire. The firemen David A. Boddy and Seth Low remained near the ruins all morning, although it is believed that the fire is entirely out.

All the damaged goods and the buildings are fully covered by insurance.

WILLIE SENT TO JAIL.

His Father-in-Law Has Him Arrested for Abduction.

Justice Patterson, in the Avenue Court, Williamstown, today held William J. Nichols, seventeen years old, on a charge of abduction preferred by Carl Sorey, the father of Emma Sorey, who ran away from her home several weeks ago and was married to Willie.

As already published in "The Evening World," the girl was arrested on Monday, charged by her father with being an unruly child. When arraigned in court she produced her marriage certificate and when asked whether she was married, she answered in the affirmative.

Yesterday Sorey called at the Avenue Court and asked for the minister who had baptized Emma and carrying the girl's baptismal certificate.

Emma had all along maintained that she was over sixteen years of age, but the certificate and the minister's statement was only fourteen. Under the circumstances the Justice was compelled to issue a warrant on a charge of abduction.

Willie had no nondum when taken to-day and went to jail in default of \$500 bail.

POISONED BY SALMON.

Julian and Her Two Daughters Died Violently.

Julian, a thirty-five year old man, who had been in the city for some time, died yesterday morning, her two daughters, Essie, twelve years, and Rebecca, nine years, and Maria Clara, a friend, are suffering this morning from the after-effects of ptomaine poisoning, caused by eating a salmon, which was found to be spoiled.

During the afternoon they were taken to the hospital, where they are now lying. By hard work he relieved their suffering.

The salmon was purchased from Philip Laubenberg, of 20 Columbia street.

Police, Julian and her family are unable to be up and about this morning, but feel very weak.

The police will take action in the matter.

PICKPOCKET'S NEW DODGE.

Warns People of the Trolley Dangers and Empties Their Pockets.

A pickpocket with a new dodge for averting the attention of his victims made his appearance in Brooklyn to-day. At the corner of Concord and Washington streets, where the Atlantic avenue trolley cars turn off the main thoroughfare, he was seen to make a sharp curve, and the cars run very close to the sidewalk.

Henry A. Leary, of 131 Clinton street, was about to cross the tracks this morning when a young man grabbed him and jerked him off his feet.

"Look out!" said the fellow. "Don't you know this is a dangerous place? You might be run over by a trolley car. I can help you."

Leary, who could find his way without any assistance, and passed on.

When Leary reached the bridge he discovered that his would-be rescuer had slipped from his waistcoat pocket.

He reported the case to the police.

THREE LOST WATCHES.

Burglars Get One and Pickpockets Two More in Brooklyn.

The police of the Butler street station, Brooklyn, are to-day hunting for a thief who got into St. Francis College, 29 Butler street, last night, and ransacked the apartments of several students.

The burglar burst open a trunk belonging to Joseph N. Rotman, and stole a gold watch worth \$5.

While Gottlieb Esq., of 19 Harrison avenue, Brooklyn, stood on the Bridge street station platform this morning, this morning, waiting for a train, he took out a handsome gold watch, valued at \$150, to learn the time. After he got aboard a train, he discovered that his watch had been stolen.

Robert Parkman, of 10 Clinton street, Brooklyn, told the police this morning that a young man who met him on Court street early this morning had stolen his gold watch and run away.

Fatal Fall from a Window.

Stephen J. Mace, fifty-five years old, of Harrison street, Brooklyn, was instantly killed last night by falling from the fourth-story window at 14 Water street. He was clearing the window when he lost his balance and fell to the ground.

Louis Quint Discharged.

Louis Quint, charged with grabbing a pocketbook containing \$10, which belonged to Mrs. Mary Blawie, from a baby carriage, was discharged in the Avenue Court, Williamstown, this morning. The complaint did not appear in court.

DR. EMERY ALARMED.

Making a Determined Fight Against Diphtheria.

1,100 Cases Since March 1, and Over 400 Proved Fatal.

Wants All New Cases Reported to the Board at Once.

After a hard fight against an epidemic of small-pox, Health Commissioner Emery, of Brooklyn, is now engaged in stamping out a threatened epidemic of diphtheria.

The Commissioner said to-day that there had been 1,100 cases of true diphtheria reported to the Department since March 1, and that over 400 cases had terminated fatally. Within the past week, forty-three persons had succumbed to the disease.

Commissioner Emery added that there were many other cases, which had been concealed by the relatives of the patients. This fact undoubtedly accounted for the dangerous outbreak of the disease.

The danger lay in the ignorance of the poorer classes, who do not realize the danger and call in a physician promptly.

As an illustration, Dr. Emery cited the case of Catherine Grannett, a two-year-old daughter of a confectioner, at 250 Atlantic avenue. The child died of diphtheria, aged four, and her four children, all were taken ill, and from the symptoms he recognized the case as diphtheria.

Mr. Grannett had read in a newspaper for cases of this kind. He dosed the children with oil, and three recovered. The other grew worse and Dr. Schmidt, of 26 Cleveland street, was called in.

In spite of all he did to save the infant she died.

Dr. Emery thought that the child might have been saved had a physician been called in time.

The death rate has been very high in Philadelphia, where the disease is now epidemic. The Health Department has established a Bureau of Bacteriology, in charge of Dr. Wilson, and a number of assistants.

When a case of suspected diphtheria is reported, a sanitary inspector is sent to make cultures. These cultures are sent to Prof. Wilson, who subjects them to an examination. If the case proves to be true diphtheria, the patient is isolated and the premises fumigated.

After the patient has recovered, the house is disinfected, and the patient is allowed to return to his home.

Commissioner Emery says that no better system for looking after the disease is in use in the United States. He adds that he did not wish to create a scare, but that he had to realize the danger of diphtheria, and to report cases promptly when discovered.

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RECHERCHE ON FIRE.

The Former "House of All Nations" Damaged \$10,000.

Costly Tapestries and Furniture Burned Like Tinder.

Watchmen Have Lived in the House Since the Police Closed It.

The Hotel Recherche, formerly known as "The House of All Nations," a magnificently appointed house, opened by Mrs. Emma Charles, and closed in a very short time by the police, was damaged to the extent of \$10,000 by fire early this morning.

The hotel consists of four houses, numbered 117 to 121 West Thirty-second street. These are three-story brick buildings. Besides these, there are three other three-story buildings in the rear of No. 117, that extend back to Thirty-third street.

Since the house was closed, three months ago, by Capt. Schmittberger, it is said to have been unoccupied. William Davis and Charles Guy, private watchmen, have been alone in the place, watching the beautiful paintings, the marvelous mirrors, the wondrous bedsteads and all the other gorgeous trappings.

Just after 2 o'clock this morning, Thomas Wharton, a watchman for the New York Cab Company, which is across the street from the hotel, saw a puff of white smoke ascending from the building. He ran across the street and hammered on the door. The door was opened by a man who was asleep there.

Both men tried, but could not locate the cause of the smoke. Wharton turned in an alarm.

The firemen located the flames in the basement of No. 117. The house at 110 West Thirty-third street, separated from No. 117 by a three-foot alley, and the two houses are connected by a narrow passage.

When the firemen arrived the flames had extended through the passage-way to the basement and ground floor of the rear house.

There was considerable trouble in getting the fire out. The furniture and fittings of the front house have been burned. The back house was nearly all the space in the front room.

By the time the first hose was in working order the flames had gained considerable headway in the basement, the antique oak-paneling and the fantastically designed paper-maché ceilings burning like tinder. To add to the damage to the women, the walls of the lower rooms were set with marble and burst and flew around in shreds.

The upper stories were flooded, and the water poured down the stairs. The fire-fighters worked with great energy for an hour, and succeeded in cutting the flames to the rear of the house where they started.

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POISONED HIS SWEETHEART.

Turton Gave the Girl Drops Which Caused Her Death.

The Couple Were to Have Been Married in a Few Days.

NEWARK, N. J., June 30.—Beautiful nineteen-year-old Lillie Clayton, of 181 Mulberry street, lies dead in her mother's house, while Albert Turton, who is charged with being responsible for her death, is a prisoner at Police Headquarters.

The girl was a daughter of Mrs. Ella Clayton, who keeps a high boarding establishment in the new stone house at 181 Mulberry street. She died at 1 o'clock this morning. There was great excitement, the frantic mother running wildly about and crying out imprecations upon the head of Turton, who was by the bedside when pretty Lillie died.

After the girl's death Mrs. Clayton demanded the arrest of Turton, and cried out:

"You will swing for this!"

The young man was silent and in evident grief. He shrank back from the girl's mother, but submitted to be taken to the Police Headquarters by Policemen Hetz, Heyer and Smith. The first Precinct, and locked up. To Chief Precinct, and locked up. To Chief Precinct, and locked up.

He had been keeping company with Lillie for some time, and had been going to be married soon. I bought her some medicine which she drank, but did not know it was poison. I meant no harm, and while she wanted to wait till she was out of trouble, we had agreed to wait.

Turton is thirty years old, and a designer of jewelry. He is of English birth and lives with his parents at 37 Franklin street. He seemed perfectly cool, but much depressed.